

Redevelopment Commission

LAPORTE COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA WEDNESDAY, March 31, 2021, 4:00 P.M.

AMENDED NOTICE TO INCLUDE NOTIFICATION OF ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION AND TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO ATTEND ELECTRONICALLY PURSUANT TO STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER.

If any member of the public wishes to attend the meeting electronically, the meeting will be available on Zoom, which can be accessed for free on the internet at https://zoom.us/ and then click the "Join a Meeting" tab followed by the meeting ID 96525709727 password 856146. You can also download the free Zoom app to your smartphone and join the meeting via the app.

- 1. Call the meeting to order.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll call.
- 4. Approval of the agenda
- 5. Public comment
- 6. Communications
- 7. Minutes
- 8. Treasurer's report
- 9. Claims

TIF	VENDOR NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	TOTALS
KIDC				
			Subtotal	\$0.00
US421#1	Thomas & Associates	February '21 Professional Services	\$494.00	
	MCR Partners	March '21 Professional Services	\$5,000.00	
	Herald Argus	February '21 Legal Notice Publication	\$14.04	
			Subtotal	\$5,508.04
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			Subtotal	\$3,008.04
			TOTAL OF CLAIMS	\$8,516.08

10. Old Business

- a. 421/I94 TIF project update- Matt Reardon; MCR
- b. KIP update Matt Reardon; MCR
- c. 39N update- Matt Reardon; MCR

11. New Business:

- a. 35/94 TIF update-Matt Reardon; MCR
- b. LPC RDC Annual Report Cender & Company
- c. La Porte County Action Fund close-out Phase II Tony Rodriguez/Bailey McGrath; OCED
- 12. Other Business:
- 13. Adjourn

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The La Porte County Redevelopment Commission Zoom meeting was held on Wednesday, February 24, 2021 at 4 P.M. (CDT), in Room #3, County Complex.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by President Randy Novak, at 4:06P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Joe Coar.

ROLL CALL

Randy Novak – Present
Joe Coar – Present
Rich Mrozinski – Present
Terry Larson – Present
Scott Cooley – Present
Michael Mollenhauer – Present
Michael Rosenbaum – Present
Jan Ribordy, Ex-Officio -Present

Others Present: Attorney Shaw Friedman, Matt Reardon; MCR Partners, Bailey McGrath and Tony Rodriguez; Office Community and Economic Development, and Mary Jane Thomas; Thomas & Associates.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Joe Coar motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Michael Mollenhauer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMUNICATIONS

Cender & Company for '20 data for RDC annual Gateway Report SEH TIF data GIS for TIF Parcel lists for '20/'21 Auditor for Feb. Treasurer Report BT for status of invoices and new invoices OCED for ZOOM credentials

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Redevelopment Association of Indiana legislative updates and Baker Tilley RDC 2021 Key dates and annual requirements

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Scott Cooley motioned to approve the February 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Michael Mollenhauer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

KIDC TIF-\$4,689.00 421/I-94 TIF #1 -\$403,859.00 421/I-94 TIF #2-\$85,416.00 39 N TIF-\$67,544.00

Michael Rosenbaum motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Michael Mollenhau seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS

TIF	VENDOR NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	TOTALS
KIDC	Thomas & Associates	January '21 Professional Services	\$685.75	
	Herald Argus	January '21 Legal Notice Publication	\$16.76	
	Friedman & Associates	Legal Services Inv#10595	\$450.00	
			Subtotal	\$1,152.51
US421#1	Thomas & Associates	January '21 Professional Services	\$685.75	
	MCR Partners	February '21 Professional Services	\$5,000.00	
	Herald Argus	January '21 Legal Notice Publication	\$16.76	
	Cender & Company	Professional Services Inv#8486	\$215.62	
	Friedman & Associates	February '21 Legal Services	\$1,500.00	
			Subtotal	\$7,418.13
39 North	MCR Partners	February '21 Professional Services	\$1,000.00	
	Thomas & Associates	January '21 Professional Services	\$806.00	
	Cender & Company	Professional Services Inv#8486	\$215.63	
			Subtotal	\$2,021.63
			TOTAL OF CLAIMS	\$10,592.27

President Novak read the claims as presented for payment for the Kingsbury Industrial Park TIF area from the Claim Docket. Joe Coar motioned to approve the Kingsbury Industrial Park TIF area claims in the amount of \$1,152.51. Michael Rosenbaum seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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President Novak read the claims as presented for payment for the US 421 #1 TIF area from the Claim Docket. Joe Coar motioned to approve the US 421 #1 TIF area claims in the amount of \$7,418.13. Scott Cooley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

President Novak read the claims as presented for payment for the 39 North TIF area from the Claim Docket. Michael Mollenhauer motioned to approve the 39 North TIF area claims in the amount of \$2,021,63. Joe Coar seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

A. 421/194 TIF Project Update – Matt Reardon; MCR Partners

MCR Partners; Matt Reardon reported Trans Canada has not yet completed review of the most recent Love's submittal. This continues to be a stumbling block. Trans Canada issues will continue in the areas adjacent to the Trans Canada pipeline. Landowners are handicapped in the development of vacant, developable land, without utility infrastructure. This is the right time to make this happen, it is just how to pay for it. Other sources of financing, such as the County Council, may need to be considered. The four million Grimmer bid for the utility infrastructure could be repaid with TIF increment and/or Major Moves funding. If the utility infrastructure is installed, acreage opens for development south, where there is no Trans Canada pipeline. Putting Love's aside, this is the acreage that becomes developable. Potential funding sources RDC 421 #1 TIF, \$250,000.00 from Michigan Water Utility is committed, and County Council. Once cross Trans Canada pipeline, Trans Canada rules- 2-year time frame to review plan submittals. INDOT approvals for land acquisition stopped short or sending notice to purchase land until Trans Canada approves plan submittals.

B. <u>KIP Update – Matt Reardon; MCR Partners</u>

MCR; Matt Reardon, updated the Commission on activities in KIP since the February LPCRDC meeting. JBC Rail has completed internal rail connections. JBC and the County are working on grant disbursement. IEDC is working through the claim process with the Auditor's office. The trestle bridge cost is a concern. Hoping for a repair of the trestle bridge. JBC pursing licensing agreements. RDC Attorney Friedman reported rail easement on Rinker property has been paid to court as required. There is a hearing February 25 to hear arguments regarding value appraisers unanimously approved of the condemned parcel. Rinker has no evidence of a higher value of the easement. The RDC has taken title of the easement, the court proceedings to finalize amount to Rinker. JBC to install CSX switch as part of the deal.

C. 39 N update- Matt Reardon; MCR Partners

Matt Reardon: MCR, reported still in the hunt for Illinois company 66 jobs, three million payroll. TIF is important part of the deal, as Indiana Code allows a government to build a Building at a lower cost and faster than the private sector in this situation. The EDA CARES Application is moving forward. Required beneficiary forms are being completed, the match Resolution has bee presented to 39 N Conservancy District for consideration and approval.

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39 N continues to convey strong support for the grant application.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion 35 TIF Plan Area

Matt Reardon: MCR reported he conferred with the developer recently. The developer has put the brakes on the project. He is waiting on the cost estimates for the utilities from the developer. For the project to move forward the engineering stuff must be done.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Matt Reardon; MCR reported to the Commission on the General Assembly half-time update. Focus on RDC bill SB 215 to expand READY Communities initiative. In addition, SB 377 softened use of Federal funds by the State. SB 389 wetlands does not change federal law on wetlands. HB 114 designs state to remove local home rule. HB 1187 membership with regards to schools on RDC's.

ADJOURNMENT

Joe Coar motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:52 P.M. Michael Rosenbaum seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The next meeting will be held on March 2021. Proposed bill allows splitting of tax increment between RDC and Schools. HB1249 addresses where TIF funds may be spent outside of Marion County. HB 1156 prohibition on micro chipping employees.

	Randy Novak	**************************************
	President	
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Attest:		
Michael Rosenbaum	and the second s	
Secretary		

LAPORTE COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION CLAIMS AND ALLOWANCES

La Porte County Redevelopment Commission claims, and allowances will be considered by the La Porte County Redevelopment Commission at their meeting on March 31, 2021.

I-94/421 Project TIF-\$494.00 Thomas & Associates, LLC, February 2021 Professional Services I-94/421 Project TIF-\$5,000.00 MCR Partners, March 2021, Professional Services I-94/421 Project TIF-\$14.04 Herald Argus, legal notice publication, February 2021

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Complete details of budget expenditures by fund and /or department may be seen at the La Porte County Auditor's Office.

Please publish one time on Saturday, March 20, 2021 in Herald – Dispatch.

Bill: La Porte County Redevelopment Commission C/O Office of Community and Economic Development, 555 Michigan Avenue, Suite #203, La Porte, IN 46351

LA PORTE COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

March 31, 2021 4:00pm CLAIM DOCKET

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ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

We have examined the claims listed above, consisting of one (1) page, and except for Claims which may be listed below; such vouchers are allowed in the total amount of \$8,516.08. The Allowance of Claims, related motions and/or discussions by Committee Members will be included in the La Porte County Redevelopment Commission meeting minutes.

Dated this 31st day of March, 2021	
Randy Novak, President	
La Porte County Redevelopment Commission	
Please list any denied or tabled claims:	

LPCRDC March 2021 Communications

RAI Feb. 2021 ZOOM meeting

Auditor's office Treasurer's report

Cender Annual report

OCED ZOOM credentials

KIDC TIF expenses RDC President/Attorney

2021 Rail Summit

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From:

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Friday, February 26, 2021 1:53 PM

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Rhonda Cook

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Next RAI Meeting - Friday, March 5 at 1:00 EDT

Hello RAI Members -

The next meeting of the Redevelopment Association of Indiana will be on Friday, March 5 at 1:00 EDT via Zoom. Below is the agenda. We will be electing officers for 2021-2022. Michael Spinks of Spencer and Mary Tanis of Dyer will be nominated to serve as President and Vice President. Steve Klink, an expert in school referendums, will be sharing a proposal with RAI members for work that the association might engage him to do for the creation of visuals/tools that can be used to educate your community about TIF as well as help you prepare for the RDC annual meeting with the underlying taxing units. We need your input on this! In addition, we'll discuss the status of bills moving through the legislative process at the half-way point. Below is the Zoom access information. Meeting materials will be sent out by Wednesday of next week. Hope to see you there!

AGENDA

I. Welcome

II. Election of RAI Officers for 2021 - 2022

III. Approval of November 30, 2020 Minutes

IV. Approval of Financial Report

V. TIF Education Tools

-Proposal by Steve Klink

VI. UPDATE: Water & Sewer Main Extensions

VII. UPDATE: 2021 Legislative Session

VIII. RAI Member Resource Library: Request for Sample Documents

IX. Other

X. Adjourn

Rhonda Cook is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Redevelopment Association of Indiana Virtual Meeting Time: Mar 5, 2021 01:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83509302991?pwd=cXBTU3BqVjJVUHZUZXNhcmozQ0ZmQT09

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